

SUFFRAGISTS OUT FOR RECOGNITION

New York Women Consider Ways of Inducing Parties to Get Support.

NEW YORK, Feb. 25.—Suffragists of New York state at the first of a series of state conferences under the auspices of the American Woman Suffrage association, considered here Thursday steps which could be taken to induce the democrats and republicans to insert in their national platforms planks pledging support of a proposed federal constitutional amendment granting the vote to women. The aim of the conferences, the second of which will be held in Boston tomorrow, is a concerted nation-wide appeal to congress to adopt the amendment.

Speaking of the fight to be made before the convention, Mrs. Carrie Chapman Catt, national president, said she was almost ready to hope for a combination between the republicans and the progressives, because the latter party is pledged to suffrage. The nature of the appeal to be made to the democrats at St. Louis, she said, was still a secret, but she confided that one feature would be a "walkless parade."

What Last Year.
One of the faults of the last cam-

aign in New York, Mrs. Catt declared, was the sense of impending defeat felt by some of the women. "There were just enough of you women," she said, "who felt that way and who resignedly went to mountains or seashore to bridge parties or dances instead of fighting to throw the balance the other way."

State leaders, she said, have not been giving the national movement sufficient support.

Mrs. Alice Duer Miller, speaking of the efforts to convert congressmen to the cause, said:

"The very men who voted in Washington against suffrage because of the 'fear of sacrificing the home,' found it expedient to vote negatively on the child labor proposition. These men declined to appropriate \$29,000 for a child labor inquiry, but they voted \$600,000 for the preservation of fish and game."

ATTACK WAR FREIGHT

Crew on Great Northern Battle With Gang.

TACOMA, Wash., Feb. 25.—Attacking a Great Northern freight train loaded with automobiles and war supplies for shipment to Russia from Seattle in the Northern Pacific freight yards here Thursday, six or eight men cut the air hose between the cars in five places, and cut the train in four sections. The train crew fought them off and captured two, who gave the names of Sam Rusky and John Ross, and their nationality as Austrian. They were held without communication. Great Northern officials said it was known that the train carried supplies from the east intended for Russia.

NAB SUSPECT IN LYMAN SWINDLE

Man Resembling Alleged Defalcator Arrested in Tampa, Florida.

TAMPA, Fla., Feb. 25.—A man answering the description of J. Grant Lyman, wanted in New York for alleged defalcations of more than \$300,000, was arrested late Thursday on a yacht at St. Petersburg, Fla. He declined to answer questions as to his identity.

The man was said to have with him on the yacht several trunks and suit cases containing an elaborate wardrobe, \$14,550 in cash and a certified check for \$5,864 payable to the bearer and drawn on the "Manhattan Company of New York." There were several endorsements on the check, the police said, the last one being the signature "John H. Putnam & Co." This was the name of an alleged fraudulent concern organized by Lyman in New York.

The yacht is said to have been purchased in Tampa last Saturday. Search for Lyman began last Sunday on advices from New York. Pictures of Lyman were published late today. The police at St. Petersburg were informed that a man whose appearance corresponded with the pictures was aboard a yacht in the harbor there. The arrest followed. He was taken to jail in St. Petersburg. To newspaper men he declined to reply when asked if the police had arrested the wrong man.

REPLY TO GERMANY ON APPAM READY SOON

State Department Expected to Present Ruling Within Three or Four Days.

WASHINGTON, Feb. 25.—The state department's reply to Germany's request for a ruling on the status of the British liner Appam, brought into Hampton Roads by a prize crew, probably will be delivered within three or four days. Counselor Polk so advised counsel for the German embassy and the British owners of the steamship Thursday, when they called at the state department to ask that a decision be hastened in view of the libel proceedings recently instituted in the federal court.

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GRAND JURY MAY ACT IN CHICAGO GRAFT CHARGES

Council Committee Recommends Evidence be Given to State's Attorney.

CHICAGO, Feb. 25.—Action by the grand jury appeared Thursday night as among the possibilities in connection with the split salary charges of Mrs. Page Waller Eaton against Mrs. Louise Osborne Rowe, commissioner of public welfare. The city council committee on schools, fire, police and civil service voted unanimously late Thursday to recommend that the evidence so far heard by it be presented to the state's attorney with the request that he submit it to the grand jury with a view to indictment if such action seemed warranted. The charges today were heard by two investigating bodies. Allegations that she had paid part of her salary to Mrs. Rowe, former superintendent of the social survey in the welfare department.

MORE APPEALS FOR AID IN LOUISIANA FLOOD

Three Towns Call for Help Heretofore Not Heard From.

NEW ORLEANS, Feb. 25.—Reports of vastly improved conditions among flood victims in the vicinity of Newellton and St. Joseph were offset Sunday night by appeals for aid from three Louisiana towns which previously had not been reported in distress. Immediate relief was requested in messages to Gov. Hall from three parishes. Much suffering was reported.

Gov. Hall said he would try to find a way for sending relief, though there was no appropriation available to care for flood sufferers. Boats and provisions probably will be sent to those in immediate need by relief organizations.

WARNED OF PLOT TO DESTROY STEAMSHIP

Liner Leaves Victoria, B. C., for Seattle, Laden With Cargo Valued at \$8 Million.

SEATTLE, Wash., Feb. 25.—Dock owners and operators were warned Thursday by city authorities against a possible plot to destroy the Blue Funnel liner Talthybius, enroute here with a cargo of rubber, silk and other staples, valued at \$8,500,000.

The Talthybius left Victoria, B. C., for this port at noon Thursday. Guards were doubled at certain piers Thursday following the receipt of an anonymous letter from Tacoma by Fire Marshal Harry W. Bringham, declaring that German agents had left Tacoma for Seattle, with the intention of destroying the liner.

SCHOONER BLOWS UP

BOSTON, Feb. 25.—The fishing schooner Mary C. Santos, with 22 men on board, was blown up in the harbor by an explosion of gasoline Thursday. Harry Fisher and Prescott Bent were killed and 19 others of the crew were injured. Joseph Lewis was unaccounted for late Thursday night and is believed to have been drowned. The schooner sank soon after a rescue fleet of tugs and dories had taken off those of the crew who had escaped injury.

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